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STATISTICAL DATA ON PRODUCER COOPERATIVES IN POLAND, 1949-1954

[Comment: This report gives three tables on the development of producer cooperatives taken from a book entitled Przewodniczący Spółdzielni Produkcyjnej na Rok 1955 (Handbook of Managers of Producer Cooperatives for 1955), published in Warsaw in 1954 by the State Publications for Agriculture and Forestry.]

Development of Producer Cooperatives, 1949-1954

<u>Year</u>	<u>No of Cooperatives</u>	<u>No of Members</u>	<u>Total Farm Area (in ha)</u>
31 Dec 49	243	6,112	41,466
31 Dec 50	2,199	60,370	467,611
31 Dec 51	3,054	86,111	700,761
31 Dec 52	4,502	115,552	785,562
31 Dec 53	8,050	181,127	1,557,287
30 Sep 54	9,527	206,900	1,787,196

Livestock in Cooperatives and on Individual Plots, 1949-1954
(in 1,000 head)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Horses</u>	<u>Cattle</u>	<u>Pigs</u>	<u>Sheep</u>
31 Dec 49	3.3	7.6	7.8	1.6
31 Dec 50	36.8	72.2	111.3	25.1
31 Dec 51	54.4	122.2	213.6	75.1
31 Dec 52	69.3	236.2	325.5	140.4
31 Dec 53	122.7	416.2	595.7	288.9
30 Sep 54	139.6	521.8	760.1	431.8

The data in the following table is based on an analysis of 2,000 producer cooperatives which divided their income at least three times from 1951 to 1953.

	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>
Total No of farms collectivized (including landless peasants)	47,543	49,588	53,903
Total area (in ha)	451,537	461,398	493,566
No of persons working	96,422	97,032	104,509
No of animals per 100 ha			
Cattle	9.5	13.2	14.4
Hogs	10.0	17.0	21.9
Sheep	3.5	8.0	11.3

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Yields (in metric quintals per ha?)

Four grains	13.3	16.3	13.0*
Potatoes	83.2	95.2	109.7
Sugar beets	176	169	187

% of area sown to

Industrial crops	6.2	7.5	9.5
Fodder crops	3.5	13.1	13.9

No of standard workdays

Per worker	129	150	176
Per family	260	232	340
Per working woman	74	91	110
Per hectare of farm land	29	33	40

Total income (in zloty per hectare of farm land)**

	492	594	550
Income per family (in zloty)	3,939	4,131	4,935
Income per worker (in zloty)	1,942	2,111	2,571

* The increase in crop yields in 1953 was hampered because of unusually bad weather; however, as compared with the crop yields of independent farms, the yields in producer cooperatives were 10 percent higher (1.7 metric quintal per hectare).

** According to prices of compulsory deliveries.

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